

# The Season's Greetings

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*"To preserve whate'er is left to us of ancient heritage"*

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### A Christmas Message From Our President

Dear Manx Friends Everywhere:

The true meaning of the Christmas Season is Hope and Peace—"For unto you is born in the city of David, a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord"—the hope of the world. In this amazing twentieth century, man has become master of almost all that is material. Scientists have ventured into the unknown, and emerged with discoveries which border on the miraculous. They have split the atom, developed speeds faster than sound, and produced many wonder drugs. But man knows that conquering through science is winning but half the battle for existence; he knows that if men cannot learn to live together in peace, the victory is not complete. Some have wondered whether the world is far enough advanced socially to put the gains made by science to beneficial use.

The Christmas Season serves as a reminder that more than nineteen hundred years ago, the Prince of Peace walked the earth and preached

the eternal hope of "Peace on Earth—Goodwill toward Men"—a goal we are striving to attain. The most encouraging sign for peace is being made by the United Nations' General Assembly in the Bill of Human Rights, which upholds "the inherent dignity of Man." It stresses the fact that the recognition of equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world. It is a step toward the Brotherhood of Man, and is the hope of the world.

Individually, we can be a great influence if we carry the Christmas spirit throughout the year. The words "Merry Christmas" should not merely be spoken, but rather should express sincere thoughts of goodwill, friendliness and generosity to all.

This Christmas, as we remember our friends with gifts and cards, and enjoy all things associated with the Yuletide Season—tree lights, holly, mistletoe, good things to eat, the com-

pany of friends and relatives—may we keep in mind always the true spirit of Christmas — "Peace on Earth — Goodwill to Men."

This is the third time I have had the privilege of saying to Manx people in the Island Home and throughout the world—"Best Wishes for a Very Happy Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year"—and I say it again with all sincerity. This year I will finish with a verse of an old Manx song, which will bring back memories to many of us—"The Bells of Old Kirk Braddan." . . .

"Oh, may their music never cease,  
Nor that endearing belfry fall,  
The sound, the spot, both breathe of  
Peace,

Of Peace to one and all,  
And tho' in climes afar I roam,  
Wide sundered by the ocean's foam,  
My spirit hears, as when at home,  
The Bells of Old Kirk Braddan."

W. HARRY KELLY, President.



## N. A. M. A. Executives Extend Season's Greetings

As the Christmas Bulletin starts on its journey towards hundreds of Manx homes, I am reminded of the words of Robert Louis Stevenson—"This little paper traveller goes forth to your door charged with tender greetings. Pray you take him in. He comes from a home where you are well beloved."

May these affectionate greetings help to renew in your hearts the joyous spirit of Old Manx Christmas, and may these good wishes from and to Manx friends insure Happiness for us all throughout the year to come.

Gertrude Cannell,  
Bulletin Editor



It is a pleasure once again to have the opportunity, through the Bulletin, of wishing all members of this grand Association, a Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year. I especially appreciate this medium as a means of extending best wishes to the many friends in the Isle of Man who did so much to make my recent visit enjoyable. This hospitality will always be remembered. To one and all, I sincerely say—"Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with Happiness."

Tom Moore,  
First Vice President



I am happy to have the opportunity through the Bulletin of sending greetings to all the Manx, and my wish is brief but hearty—

"A Merry Christmas to All!"

Tom Cleator,  
Third Vice President



It gives me sincere pleasure to send greetings to the members of the Ladies' Auxiliary, and to Manx friends everywhere. My best wishes for a Happy Christmas, and a New Year of Good Health and Prosperity.

Mona Malboeuf,  
Rep., N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary

The Christmas Season is here again and we are all busy with preparations for the usual festivities. We are dashing hither and yon—making a small purchase here, a large one there, addressing Christmas cards; unpacking and sorting last year's decorations and ornaments; thinking of all the Christmas goodies to be prepared or secured; wrapping lovely bespangled and colorful packages, some of which are packed for shipment to out-of-town and overseas relatives and friends. And, at last, when that Day-of-Days arrives, we pause along with our many friends to relax and partake of the innumerable pleasures and delightful surprises which have been provided.

For us who are members of the North American Manx Association, one of the greatest of these pleasures is the perusal of the pages of our Bulletin. We enjoy its many cheery messages, its exchange of Holiday Good Wishes, and as we read the names of Manx friends—some old, some new—it gives us a special thrill to know that through our Association, we are able to claim friends in all sections of the North American Continent, the Isle of Man, England, South Africa, New Zealand, Australia and many other parts of the world.

It gives me sincere pleasure to add my greetings to the many others appearing in these pages. May each and every one of the many, many Manx friends I have made during my connection with the N.A.M.A., enjoy the Merriest Christmas ever and experience a Happy and Prosperous 1950.

Claire M. Mylecraine,  
Corres. and Rec. Sec'y.



Again it is Christmas, and it is my good fortune to be able to send you my sincere greetings. May the present be filled with happiness and comfort, and the future unfold the many blessings always bestowed upon us by Almighty God. Let us not take these blessings for granted, but rather accept them in a spirit of reverence and humility, remembering in our hearts the love behind the gift.

This year marked a milestone in the history of our N.A.M.A. and I would point out that not even Christmas, with its cheer means more to our people than did our Cleveland Convention, gathering Manx people from all over this great continent to meet in a common bond of love and esteem, and also proving that by being good Americans and Canadians, they can,

and do, prove by their actions that they still love their Island which gave them their heritage.

To all Manx people the world over, my sincere good wishes and in the words of Tiny Tim—"God bless us, every one."

James Y. Mann, Past President



"Shee as maynrys de ny,  
Maninee trooidmogh yn seihil."

"Peace and Happiness to Manx people throughout the world."

Robert W. Skillicorn,  
Financial Sec'y-Treasurer



Greetings to members of the Manx family everywhere, and heartiest wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Ida Caine,  
Rep. N.A.M.A. Breakfast Club



When I think back to the many happy Christmases spent in the old City of Peel, I cannot help but hear the sound of caroling in the air. Christmas was a season of song, before and long after the happy and eventful day itself.

To begin with, the children would be "at the door," singing "Three Little Ships" and "Christmas is Coming," and so on, muffled up to the ears against the winter blast, and running merrily away to the next house with whatever little "handout" they received—happy because it was Christmas.

What a joy it was to listen to the various choirs in the quiet of the late night or early morning. How many of us can remember P. C. Moore's choir singing so crisply and brightly—

"Hail, smiling Morn

That tips the hills with gold,

Whose rosy fingers ope the gates,  
The gates of Day

At whose bright presence Darkness  
flies away" . . . .

with the tenors and sopranos flying after each other in trills, and scattering the darkness for all they were

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NORTH AMERICAN MANX ASSOCIATION

December 19, 1949

Dear Friend:

I know this is a busy time for each member of the household -- as Christmas is for young and old a time of good will and good cheer. Nevertheless, I want to remind all of you of the N.A.M.A. Directory -- the first in the history of the Manx people. It will be a very handy book and just the right size for pocketbook or pocket -- so you will have the addresses with you for any need, at any time.

We have members all over the world, so our Directory also will travel all over the world, as every member will receive one.

I know you will want your name listed in this first N.A.M.A. Directory. Also, tell all your Manx friends about it, as they too will want to have their names listed. If N.A.M.A. dues are paid since August, your name will be listed. If you have moved since then, notify our Financial Secretary at once of your new address. If you have overlooked paying your dues, mail the amount (\$2.00) to Mr. R.W. Skillicorn, 4912 East 96th St., Cleveland 5, Ohio. Please do this now, as the deadline for accepting names for the Directory is January 31, 1950.

It would be fine to have over one thousand names, and it can be done. I would like the support of all our members to make this, our first Directory, a worthwhile book. If each of us could secure one new member it would assure its success. It would be too bad if some Manx person who would like his name included, did not even know of this N.A.M.A. Directory.

We shall probably see lots of friends over the Holidays, so let us all work together "to preserve whate'er is left to us of ancient heritage." Your officers are ever working to create a closer interest among Manx people. We have a great heritage -- we are a great people -- we ask for your loyal support and know that you won't fail us.

In closing let me say -- Let us encourage our children to be interested in things Manx.

The officers wish you the best Christmas you ever had, and Health and Happiness in the coming year.

Very sincerely yours,

*W. Harry Kelly*

PRESIDENT

W. Harry Kelly

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**News of the Manx Societies**

**DETROIT-WINDSOR**

October 30 was a red-letter day in the annals of this Society, when the members celebrated their Twentieth Anniversary at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Cornell, 12784 Northlawn Ave., Detroit. Highlight of the occasion was the presence of N.A.M.A. President Harry Kelly and Mrs. Kelly, also Walter Quilliam, who motored up from Cleveland to be with them. Mr. Kelly's address and Walter's singing were highly appreciated.

After the business session, refreshments were served by the ladies. The occasion was doubly festive, being also the birthday of the Honorary President, Mr. J. W. Stephen. There were two cakes—the Anniversary cake donated by Mrs. Richard Corkill, and another huge cake given by Mr. John Stephen.

Outgoing President Richard Corkill introduced the Society's new officers:

- J. W. Stephen, Hon. President
- R. K. Mercer, President
- Mrs. H. Mercer, Vice President
- Mrs. N. Mawson, Sec'y-Treasurer  
9247 Hartwell Ave., Detroit 27,  
Michigan.

All officers and members will be working hard for another successful year, and a grand convention in 1950.

**TORONTO**

Hollantide Night was celebrated by the Toronto Manx at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williamson, 61 Steeles Ave., East, North York, (a suburb of Toronto). A large number of Manx and their friends were there, and enjoyed a pleasant evening. Refreshments were provided by the ladies. At the regular monthly meeting, held on November 22, the following officers were elected:

- Tom Moore, President
- Fred Caveen, Vice President
- Mrs. F. Williamson, Treasurer
- Mrs. Gibson, Sec'y-Treasurer
- Frank Williamson, Secretary
- Mrs. Tom Moore, Ass't. Sec'y.

**N.A.M.A. BREAKFAST CLUB**

Breakfast Club officers for the year 1949-50 are:

- Stephen H. Quinney, President
- Miss Ida M. Caine, Vice President
- Mrs. Wm. Roseman, Sec'y-Treasurer  
21609 Clare Avenue, Bedford,  
Ohio.

Dues are only 25 cents, and husbands and wives of members are also eligible. "Send your dues to the Secretary now," is the request of President Stephen Quinney, "and get your name on our Breakfast Club membership list. Also, be sure to plan to be with us at Windsor in August, 1950."

**CHICAGO**

Mrs. Arthur Shimmie and the Misses Annie and Winnefred Comish were hostesses at a meeting of the Chicago Manx Society held on October 29 in the Fine Arts Building. This being the first meeting since the Cleveland Convention, there was a large gathering. At the following meeting, November 26, hostesses were Miss Jane Moore and Mrs. Eva Ker-mode Bowman, and Ralph Creer showed a new film of the Isle of Man.

**VANCOUVER**

This Society has already held two Whist Drives this season, and is now planning the annual Banquet, Concert and Dance to be held on January 2, 1950.

The Vancouver Manx Ladies' Auxiliary held a bazaar on October 27, the proceeds being given to various hospitals and institutions with the feeling that "every little helps." The ladies meet once a month at various homes, and have had a happy and successful year.

**MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND**

The November business meeting of the Mona's Relief Society was followed by a program sponsored by the North American Manx Association and the evening of November 1st was known as "N.A.M.A. Night" to Manx Clevelanders.

There was a record attendance and everyone enjoyed the Convention movies taken by Mrs. Wm. Roseman of Cleveland and Miss Alice Garrett of Rochester, N. Y. These were color-movies and brought back pleasant memories of a happy week at the Hotel Cleveland in August.

Brief talks were given by the four local officers of the N.A.M.A., Harry Kelly, President; Claire Mylecraine, Secretary; R. W. Skillicorn, Treasurer; Gertrude Cannell, Bulletin Editor, and by J. R. Cain, Past President. These talks were interspersed with vocal numbers by Mr. Joseph Clucas and Mr. Walter J. Quilliam.

Refreshments were served and brought another Manx evening to a close.

A card party was the feature of the December meeting, which together with exchange of Christmas gifts, gave a festive spirit to the occasion.

The January meeting will be held Tuesday, January 3rd, at St. Stephen's Church Hall, 863 East 150th St.

**LOS ANGELES**

This Society feels fortunate in being able to present the lovely colored movies of the Isle of Man taken by Mrs. William Roseman (Florence Kelly) during her stay in the Isle of Man a couple of years ago. These pictures will be among the chief attractions at the Society's January meeting.

**GREATER NEW YORK**

The Manx of New York held their Annual Dinner in the Bristol Hotel on November 6, with twenty members and friends present. A former member, Mrs. A. Anderson of New Orleans, and her sister, were guests of honor. These ladies had just arrived that morning from a four months' vacation in the Isle of Man, where they had visited friends and relatives of the various members, and had been honored by Mr. Richard Cain, President of the World Manx Association, with a reception and dinner, while Charlie Craine, Secretary, entertained with his Manx recitations.

After the excellent dinner served at the Bristol, movies taken by Miss

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# Christmas Greetings

## Season's Greetings From N. A. M. A. Executives

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worth. Echoes of other choirs—the Primitive, Wesleyan and Salvation Army and other unforgotten groups can still be heard sounding down through the corridors of Time. Can you not still hear "Glory to Thee, My God, This Night," to that most beautiful air "Crofton," written, if I am not mistaken, by that Manx worthy, Dr. John Clague of Castletown.

This Christmas, to many of us who attended the grand and never-to-be-forgotten Cleveland Convention, other melodies will be added—those we sang with such gusto in the "Peel Bus" and again at the luncheon in the Cleveland Hotel, when hundreds of voices swelled to the singing of "All Hail the Power," and on the final night, after the banquet, when we sang anything and everything on into the wee sma' hours. Truly it can be said that where the Manxman is, song is never far distant, and as long as a people can still sing, there is hope. Maybe it is this bond of music that binds the Manx so strongly together. Surely in no other nation could so many people be found in such close contact as was discovered this August in Cleveland. May the warmth of love and affection experienced there, gladden our Christmas hearths and homes this year of 1949, and make us each resolve to do whatever can be done to preserve our heritage.

"Merry Christmas."

Essie Quayle,  
Second Vice President

### MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND

"God bless each one beneath your roof,  
Supply your every need  
And make this Christmastide for you  
A pleasant one indeed."

The officers and members of the Mona's Relief Society extend greetings to Manx friends everywhere.

We sincerely hope that the coming year will bring continued success to the North American Manx Association and to Manx Societies throughout the world.

Thomas Keig, Jr., President  
Elinor Cain, Cor. Secretary  
488 East 126th St.  
Cleveland 8, Ohio

### N. A. M. A. BREAKFAST CLUB

Once again we celebrate the Christmastime—

How we love the tidings that those words convey!

All the joy of Christmastide they bring to you.

As again we listen to the bells' glad chime

We wish you, one and all, a Merry Christmastime,

More dear than all the rest.

This greeting expresses the wishes of the officers and members of the N. A. M. A. Breakfast Club to Manx friends all over the world.

Stephen H. Quinney, President

Mrs. William Roseman, Sec'y-Treas.  
21009 Clare Ave.  
Bedford, Ohio



### GALVA

To each and all our Manx friends at home and abroad, a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

W. S. Gawne, President

Mrs. James Cubbon, Sec'y-Treas.  
103 N. E. 3rd St.  
Galva, Ill.



### BUFFALO

The Buffalo Manx Society sends Greetings to all fellow-members and friends of the N. A. M. A.

Fred Towle, President.

Mary Skillicorn, Sec'y.  
171 Jewett Ave.,  
Buffalo, N. Y.



### GREATER NEW YORK

Greetings from the Greater New York Manx Society to all Manx people everywhere, and best wishes for Happiness and Prosperity in the coming year.

Mrs. Tom Christian, Sec'y.  
4305 - 21st Ave.  
Astoria, L. I., New York

### NEBRASKA

Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes to all our Manx friends, wherever they may be. May Peace and Gladness find their way into every home this Christmastide!

Officers and members of the  
Nebraska Manx Society

Mrs. Gladys Watts, Sec'y  
901 So. 25th St.  
Lincoln, Nebr.



### LADIES' AUXILIARY TO N.A.M.A.

The Christmas Spirit again fills the air and kindles within our hearts the warmth and cheer of the Christmas Season. The officers of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the N. A. M. A. wish to all members and friends a Very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity. May that same feeling of good will which prevails in such abundance during the Holiday Season remain in your hearts throughout the year.

Mrs. J. W. Rogers, President  
Miss Alice Garrett, Sec'y  
359 Hayward Ave.  
Rochester, N. Y.



### CHICAGO

The Chicago Manx Society extends Sincere Good Wishes to all Manx people for a Very Happy Christmas Season and a New Year filled with Good Health and Happiness.

Thomas C. Kelly, President

Ethel M. Shimmin, Secretary  
6544 Perry Ave.  
Chicago 21, Ill.



### MONA'S MUTUAL BENEFIT SOCIETY, CLEVELAND

The officers and members of the Mona's Mutual Benefit Society wish to Manxmen, wherever they may be, a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Herbert A. Quayle, President  
R. W. Skillicorn, Sec'y  
4912 East 96th St.



# From Manx Societies



## SAN FRANCISCO

Yes, here we are—your Manx friends in the City by the Golden Gate and the Bay area, wishing all Manx people a truly Happy Christmas and New Year and, as the folks from Bonnie Scotland would say—"Mony may ye see." Isn't it wonderful that through the medium of the Bulletin we shall be drawn nearer to each other's thoughts at this happy season?

Merry, Merry Christmas to all our friends.

H. P. Callister, President.  
Finette Hall, Treas.  
Essie Quayle, Sec'y,  
1537 20th St.,  
San Francisco, Calif.



## TORONTO

The officers and members of the Toronto Manx Society join in wishing all Manx people, wherever they may be, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Tom Moore, President  
Frank Williamson, Sec'y  
61 Steeles Ave., E.  
North York, Toronto, Ont.



## VANCOUVER

The Vancouver Manx Society wishes a Merry Christmas and a Very Successful New Year to all Manxmen everywhere.

Mrs. Mona Witsten, Sec'y,  
1936 West 1st Ave.,  
Vancouver, B. C.



## DETROIT-WINDSOR

Thoughts of our friends add to the enjoyment of the Christmas Season, and in the spirit of friendliness and good will, we greet you with best wishes for your happiness, now and in the New Year.

R. K. Mercer, President  
Mrs. N. Mawson, Sec'y-Treas.  
9247 Hartwell  
Detroit 27, Mich.

## VANCOUVER LADIES' AUXILIARY

The Compliments of the Season, and greetings and best wishes to all the Manx for success in the coming year. Cheerio!

Mrs. Lydia S. Clague Rawlinson,  
Sec'y  
79 W. 26th Ave.,  
Vancouver, B. C.



## WASHINGTON, D. C.

We recall the happy days of auld lang syne with longing, but still enjoy the Christmas season with thankful hearts for our many blessings, sharing our happiness with the less fortunate in the spirit of the Prince whose birth we celebrate.

Time flies so fast that the beneficial effect of our hearty and seasonal goodwill message broadcast last Christmas has hardly worn off, and again it is in order to extend cordial Christmas greetings to our Manx kin at home and abroad. And this our members in Washington, Baltimore and Southern Maryland are happy to do, adding the hope that good health, happiness and prosperity will be the lot of "every wan" all through the year 1950.

J. Wilson Jenkinson  
3122 - 18th St., N.W.  
Washington 10, D.C.



## ROCHESTER

A Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year to one and all, at home and abroad—with a special greeting to our good friends in Cleveland, who gave us such a wonderful time last August, also to the old friends we meet year after year.

Alf E. Looney, President  
Dan W. Christian, Sec'y  
31 Nellis Park  
Rochester 8, N. Y.



## NORTH EAST OHIO

The North East Ohio Manx send Christmas Greetings to all.

Blanche Killey, President  
Mabel Quine, Secretary  
338 Willow Drive  
Painesville, Ohio

## LOS ANGELES

May every Manx family, long separated from their Homeland, receive from these hearty wishes conveyed by Manx Societies through the Bulletin, the same glad cheerios and greetings of a Christmas morning. May the day bring the joy of remembering old friends, joyous occasions, and the cup of tea that cheers many a lonely heart. Merry Christmas, everyone!

Mrs. Oscar Ward, Sec'y  
1818 West 81st St.  
Los Angeles, Calif.



## THE LADIES' AUXILIARY TO MONA'S RELIEF SOCIETY CLEVELAND

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Mona's Relief Society in Cleveland send greetings to their Manx friends everywhere, and best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Mrs. J. P. Bieger, President  
Mrs. Roy Bertsch, Secretary  
1668 Lee Road  
Cleveland Heights 18, Ohio



## WORLD MANX ASSOCIATION

"Here's to you ones over there from us ones over here

To let you know you're in our thoughts today."

Christmas! The sacred season of happy memories when our minds turn toward friends and kinfolk scattered throughout the world. This old tortured world would be a poorer place without the true spirit of Christmas, the season that still stands for Peace and Goodwill to all people everywhere. With this thought in our hearts, let us keep to the good old Manx custom, of true merrymaking, always remembering the less fortunate.

We send warmest greetings from the World Manx Association to all members and friends of the North American Manx Association in the old familiar manner, "A Merry Christmas and a Bright and Happy New Year."

Richard Cain, President  
Charles Craine, Hon. Sec'y  
18 Broadway  
Douglas, Isle of Man



## OUR OWN PEOPLE

The Isle of Man had a distinguished visitor in September in Mr. Ewan Clague, Director of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington, D. C., who, accompanied by Mrs. Clague, spent a week end there while en route to Geneva as a delegate to a United Nations conference. During his brief stay he made a tour of the Island and saw many of his relatives, his father having come from Ballabeg and his mother from Castletown, though Mr. Clague himself was born in Walla Walla, State of Washington. Both Mr. and Mrs. Clague enjoyed their short visit and were delighted with the beauty of the Island.

On September 4, 1917, a young lady from the Isle of Man named Edith A. Cubbon, went to work as a clerk in the Machine Shop Office of the Puget Sound Navy Yard at Bremerton, Wash. She broke all tradition by being the first woman employed in this strictly male domain and might have expected some resentment, but her winning disposition and efficiency quickly made her a favorite. As Chief Clerk in this department, Miss Cubbon's career covered some 32 years, and at her retirement in September she was honored at a farewell dinner where fellow-workers paid tribute to the popular "little lady from the Isle of Man." She is now making her home at 13703-2nd Ave., N. W., Seattle 77, Wash., and without doubt her many interests and hobbies will keep her as fully employed as ever. She is a niece of Mr. William Cubbon of Douglas, formerly curator of the Manx Museum.

The last of the Toronto Manx party to return home from the Isle of Man was Mrs. Robert Watterson, after spending six months on the Island. Members of the Toronto Society are looking forward to hearing about her experiences.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Butterworth, formerly of Bay Village, Ohio, have decided in favor of a warmer climate and will take an extended vacation in La Feria, Texas. Good luck to them and sunny days!

Rev. Wm. Mylchreest Kelly, Princeton, Illinois, is now Associate General Presbyter of the State of Illinois, with over 140 churches to supervise. He is the son of Captain Richie Kelly of Kirkland, Wash.

Those two Manx ladies from Birkenhead, the Misses Lillian and Eva Kneen who endeared themselves to us during their recent visit, are well known and public-spirited people at home. In a paragraph which they entitled "Spreading the News," they told President Harry Kelly of what they are doing to tell the home folks about the N.A.M.A. and about life in America as seen during their travels. Since early in September, when they arrived home, they have given numerous talks and lectures on "Amazing America" and on the Manx Convention, before Manx Societies in Liverpool and Birkenhead, as well as schools, church groups, and clubs. Their engagements carry on through to next April! About the first thing they did on arrival home early in September was to go across to the Isle of Man to show Convention pictures and tell friends all the "newses."

On January 5 they will lecture at the Bethel Chapel in Douglas, with J. D. Qualtrough, Speaker of the House of Keys, in the chair, Lewis Gale as soloist and Charlie Craine with his Manx readings. Knowing the zest and vivacity of these ladies as many of us do, we envy these groups who will be privileged to hear them.

Other and perhaps more serious engagements, are to lecture on their trip before the University of Liverpool Geographical Society, the British Federation of University Women and the English-Speaking Union.

This is wonderful work. Congratulations to Lily and Eva Kneen on their talent, energy and enthusiasm. We are proud to have them as friends.

Recently graduated as a nurse from Huren Road Hospital, Elizabeth C. Quirk of Cleveland was to take her State Board Examination in November. She is a daughter of Tom Quirk, 1707 East 84th Street, a nephew of the late Miss Kate Quirk of Peel, who resided for many years in the States and was known to a wide circle of Manx people.

Mrs. John Lewin of Cleveland will spend a few weeks in Florida this winter before sailing for the Isle of Man in February.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Callow of Berkeley were entertained by the William Mullens of Alhambra, and by other Manx friends around Los Angeles.

Although the West Coast Manx are widely scattered, they manage to keep in close touch. Miss Fannie Urie, 412 West 9th St., Long Beach, Calif., spent some summer week ends with Miss Edith A. Cubbon, formerly of Bremerton, and now living in Seattle, Wash. Miss Urie and Miss Cubbon became friends during the Manx Homecoming of 1930, spent three weeks on the Continent together, and have been visiting and otherwise keeping in touch ever since.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cottier, 6345 Leighton Ave., Lincoln, Neb., who will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on December 27.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cottier, who left Cleveland in September to make their home in California, are at present living at 4730 Franklin Ave., Los Angeles 27. They enjoyed the trip out to the Coast and saw some wonderful scenery—but still feel that the Isle of Man is hard to beat.

Recent visitors at the William Mullen home in Alhambra, Calif., were Fred and Cecil Corrin and their sister, Mrs. Ivy Dillon of Bisbee, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bain recently spent some time at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Robert Rodin in Berkeley, Calif., and of course visited many Manx friends in that district.

Fred Quane of Montreal anticipates a trip to the Isle of Man next summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Ward have completed a round of visiting which included the home of Mrs. Bessie Corkill Moore of Bakersfield, the Ed Christians in Fresno, Mrs. Dorothy Quayle and the Manx Society of San Francisco, and Mrs. Alice Kennish Quick in Santa Cruz, California.

Mr. Robert Fayle of Vancouver is visiting his great-niece, Mrs. Isabel Skillicorn and her daughter and husband (Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sutherland) of San Diego, Calif. Mr. Fayle enjoyed talking over old times with his friend, Oscar Ward, and plans to meet other Los Angeles Manx.

Miss Alice Garrett, with her brother Carlton and wife, recently spent a week end in Toronto as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore.

## MEET YOUR OFFICERS . . .

. . . By GERTRUDE CANNELL

It doesn't always follow that the most enthusiastic Manx people are born in the Isle of Man. Take Alice Garrett for instance. Born in Rochester, N. Y., she shows by word and deed how the "second generation" often feel toward everything Manx.

Alice was born in Rochester, went through school there, and throughout her working life has been with that famous Rochester firm, the Eastman Kodak Company. She is secretary to the Superintendent of Facilities, and belongs to the firm's 25-Year Club. She is a loyal Rochester citizen and though a much-travelled person, always feels Rochester is a good place when its time to go home. Her



**ALICE GARRETT**

Secretary, N. A. M. A. Ladies' Auxiliary

father, William, came to Rochester many years ago from Ballakinnag, near Ramsey; her mother, Ida Irene Johnson was born in Canandaigua, N. Y. Those who attended Manx conventions before the war will remember Mrs. Garrett, a gentle lady who proved how faithful those can be who are Manx by marriage. Alice has a brother Willis, and another brother Carlton, who with his wife, Gwen is always present at a Manx Convention. Mr. John Garrett, an uncle, also lives in Rochester; there is an aunt, Mrs. Robert Garrett, in Douglas, and a cousin, Edgar Garrett, in Peel.

Alice was president of the Rochester Manx Society for five years during which time, as general chairman for the 1937 Convention, she headed a small but eager group of Manx folks who staged a splendid gathering for us. On that occasion she was elected a vice president of the N.A.M.A. and

held office until this year; she has been secretary of the N.A.M.A. Ladies' Auxiliary for 13 years. She has attended no fewer than 12 Conventions.

Photography is her hobby and her colored movies taken at our Conventions have given pleasure to hundreds of Manx people. She has photographic records of many vacation trips, and as Alice has covered this continent from Banff to Florida and from California to Cape Cod, she can give you a pleasant kind of geography lesson. Her favorite places are California, the Canadian Rockies and Yellowstone National Park, and she hopes that one of her future journeys will be to the Isle of Man, which she has never seen.

Alice likes vocal music, especially as rendered by the Manx; likes popular music and American folk tunes, such as hill-billy and cowboy songs, but can't stand torch singers. She enjoys dancing and belongs to a bowling team. In the films she admires Irene Dunne, Nelson Eddy and Jeanette McDonald; prefers comedies and travel subjects—also likes books on travel, but in these busy days has to confine most of her reading to magazines. She is an expert gardener and grows many varieties of flowers. She likes dogs, and the late "Muggins," Boston bull, was quite well acquainted among the Manx. At present the household pet is a canary, whose loud and cheery voice can almost drown out family conversation.

Alice is not very tall; has dark hair and eyes; dresses smartly and is a connoisseur of antique jewelry. She has a winning smile which begins in the right place—her eyes. She likes people who are trustworthy, frank and outspoken and free from "touchiness." Though she wouldn't say so, she completely fills these requirements herself. She admires people who are demonstrative in expressing pleasure and appreciation, and imagines that she herself is too reserved—but her delight in the courtesies and pleasant aspects of life is just as keen as that of more fussy folk.

Alice loves cooking unusual dishes, planning and preparing meals, entertainment and surprises for her friends. At 359 Hayward Avenue, where she and Carlton and Gwen live together, it is open house and a warm welcome all the time, especially at the Holiday season, which they look forward to all year. Alice feels that she inherits this spirit of hospitality from her father, who always loved lots of company. She is never happier than when providing pleasure for guests. So here's a wish for a Joyous and Festive Christmas and New Year to the Garretts of Rochester—a wish we know they are echoing back to us before it is spoken.

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Waterson and Mrs. Karran during their American trips were shown; also colored movies of their own group, taken at their Annual Manx Picnic last summer.

Various circumstances have temporarily deprived the New York Manx of both President and Vice President, so their hardworking Secretary, Mrs. Tom Christian of Astoria, L. I., is carrying on alone. "However," she says, "we do stick together." Good luck to them.

### NORTHEAST OHIO

The regular monthly meeting of this Society was held on November 20 at the home of Mrs. Maud McCarthy, 65 Bank St., Painesville. An excellent picnic supper was enjoyed by the forty members present and a business session followed.

### THE L'IL PEOPLE

A daughter, Cathy Cheslyn, was born on September 18 to Major and Mrs. James L. Cannell, 329 William St., Osborn, Ohio. Cathy is the first grandchild of Mrs. Stephen Cannell, 3915 East 154th St., Cleveland.

A new baby daughter, Deborah Sue, recently arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Robison, Elk Creek, Nebraska.

Jim and Irene Birrell (nec Kneale) of Vancouver, B. C., are parents of a son, James Melville, born on October 13.

A twig has been added to the family tree of Lloyd and Helen (McDonnell) Drom of Los Angeles—a daughter, Maureen Ann, born October 7.

Another baby girl, Denise, was born recently to Frank and Hazel Caveen, Toronto.

### Bulletin Committee

After serving on the Bulletin Committee for ten years, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gorry have resigned, with the sincere thanks and appreciation of President Harry Kelly and their co-workers for their fine help and loyalty.

For the present year, President Kelly has appointed the following to assist the Bulletin Editor: Miss Claire Mylecraine, Mrs. Laurel K. Abell, Mr. John R. Cain and Mr. Fred Brew. The Editor, Miss Gertrude Cannell, was re-elected at the recent Convention.



## OBITUARIES

- COSTAIN, Ruth**, (nee Harvey), passed away on September 26 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bert Frisby, Kemptville, Ont. She leaves her husband, John; two sons, Harvey Costain of South Porcupine and A. Costain of Byron, Ont., and her daughter, Mrs. Frisby; also a brother and sister in England. Mrs. Costain, who was 85, was born in Foxdale, Isle of Man, and came to Canada in 1914. She and her husband celebrated their Diamond Wedding anniversary on December 25, 1948. Active in church and lodge work. Mrs. Costain was a beloved member of her community.
- COTTIER, Philip S.**, aged 59, passed away at his home, 2045 Elbur Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio, after a brief illness. Surviving are his wife, Frances; two daughters, Mrs. William J. Verross of Covington, Va., and Mrs. Arthur Spackman of Pittsburgh; two sisters, Mrs. Alice Frantz of Cleveland and Mrs. Jane Bare of Burlingame, Calif., a brother, J. E. Cottier of Cleveland; and grandchildren. Born in the Isle of Man. Mr. Cottier was employed by the Pittsburgh Steamship Company as a messenger in 1906; became assistant purchasing agent in 1919, and purchasing agent in 1945.
- CURPHEY, Joseph R.**, of North Olmsted, Ohio died on October 26, at the age of 86. He was born of Manx parents in Solon, Ohio, and served on the Cleveland police force until his retirement in 1917. He is survived by four daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
- GAWNE, Mrs. Jessie** (nee Callow) passed away November 2nd at Seattle, Washington. Surviving are her husband, Robert; one daughter, Mrs. Elinor Buswell, Seattle, and five sisters. Mrs. Gawne was born in Peel, Isle of Man.
- MCGOUGAN, Annie Gertrude**, aged 70, died in Seattle, Wash. on October 27. Surviving are three sons and five daughters; three half-brothers in England, and 12 grandchildren. Mrs. McGougan was born in Ramsey, Isle of Man, and came to the United States in 1904.
- JENKINSON, Julia C.**, passed away at the age of 87 in Denver, Colo. She was the widow of Walter Jenkinson, well known at one time in Colorado mining circles, and a native of the Eairy, East Foxdale, Isle of Man. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Florence Mager of Denver; two sons, W. E. and Wilfrid Jenkinson, of Placerville, Calif.; grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mrs. Jenkinson was born in Lancashire, England.
- KELLY, Thomas W.**, aged 78, passed away on June 5 in Seattle, Wash. Surviving are four sons, Thomas W. Kelly, Jr., Salem, Ore., and Charles H., William R. and Frank E., all of Seattle; three daughters, Mrs. Margaret Dotson, Mrs. Hilda Price and Mrs. Florence Rice, all of Seattle; three sisters Mrs. Bessie Eccles, Reno, Nev., and the Misses Margaret and Hilda Kelly of Peel; grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
- KINVIG, John**, aged 57, passed away on November 4 in Kewanee, Illinois. He was born in Kirk Michael, Isle of Man, and was married in 1920 to Esther Corlett, who survives him. Also surviving are his mother, seven brothers and sisters in the Isle of Man and Canada, and a brother, Sam, in Kewanee. Mr. Kinvig was a veteran of World War I.
- QUINE, W. Fred**, passed away on June 22 at his home, 2550 Wallace St., Regina, Sask., after two years' illness. He was born in Peel, Isle of Man 72 years ago, and came to Canada about the turn of the century. Surviving are his wife, Jean; several children and grandchildren; also a brother John and sister Annie, in Peel. Mr. Quine was a former vice president of the N.A.M.A.
- QUIRK, Maude**, of Marshalltown, Iowa, died suddenly on November 12 in a motor accident in which her brother, Arch, was also killed. Another brother, Harry, and nephew Merle Quirk, were seriously injured. Surviving relatives are a brother, Percy, of Schaller, and a sister, Eleanor of Davenport, Iowa. Miss Quirk, who was 67, was a nurse at the Soldiers' Home at Marshalltown and well known in her profession. Her parents came from the Isle of Man.
- QUINE, Mrs. Ann Redman**, of 312 Susquehanna Road, Rochester, N. Y., passed away on September 15 after a long illness. She leaves her husband, J. Henry Quine; a daughter, Mrs. George W. Talkes of Cleveland, and a granddaughter, Mona.
- RADCLIFFE, Hugh L.**, 72, died at his home in Painesville, Ohio on October 28. He leaves his widow, Leah; a daughter, Mrs. Alfred Holp of Ashtabula, Ohio, and two sisters. He was a member of the North East Ohio Manx Society.
- SHARPE, Isabella Myra**, passed away in her 90th year at her home, 341 Quebec Avenue, Toronto, on October 15. She is survived by three sons, Edward, Stanley and Ernest, and a daughter, Effie (Mrs. Donald Kinrade). She was the widow of the late Robert J. Sharpe of Ramsey, with whom she came to Canada after the First World War. Mrs. Sharpe was a daughter of John Boyde of Ramsey, a family prominent in musical circles. With her daughter, she attended several Manx Conventions, and was probably our oldest member.
- SHIMMIN, James**, of Butte, Mont., passed away in September at the age of 70. He leaves his wife, Ella; a son, Louis, and a daughter, Mrs. W. H. Harkins, also grandchildren. He had several cousins in Canada and in Chicago, among them Miss Essie Meehan of Chicago. Mr. Shimmin came from Foxdale, Isle of Man about 45 years ago.
- STEINER, Mattie E.**, (nee Collister), died at her home in Rush, N. Y., on September 28. She is survived by two sons and four daughters, and a brother, Richard B. Collister of Batavia, N. Y. Mrs. Steiner was a member of the Rochester Manx Society and attended the Convention there in 1937.
- CRELLIN, Edward A.**, Kittery Avenue, Rowley, Massachusetts, passed away October 26, 1949 at the age of thirty-three. He is survived by his wife, Shirley; son, Robert Edward, his father, Edward C.; sister, Enid and brother Douglas and several aunts and uncles. Edward has attended many of the Manx Conventions including the last at Cleveland in August.

To relatives and friends of the above, we extend heartfelt sympathy.

## MANX DIRECTORY

To have your name in the Manx Directory, be sure your annual N. A. M. A. dues are paid before January 31. There is no other charge—in other words, your name is inserted free and the book will be sent you free of charge. But remember—the deadline is January 31, so **SEND IN YOUR DUES TODAY.**

